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SECTION A

INTRODUCTION



United States Department of Education

Office of Elementary and Secondary Education Academic Improvement and Teacher Quality programs

March 4, 2005

Dear Applicant:

Thank you for your interest in the Jacob K. Javits Gifted and Talented Students Education Program (Javits) administered by the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Elementary and Secondary Education. The Department is pleased to announce that in fiscal year 2005, Congress appropriated \$11 million for the Javits program, of which \$3.5 is available for new grant awards.

The Javits program focuses on providing support for programs that serve gifted and talented students, particularly those students who are economically disadvantaged, limited English speaking or who have disabilities. This competition is designed to support state departments of education, local school districts, or both that initiate innovative professional development for teachers and educational opportunities for gifted and talented students.

Information to assist in application preparation is found in the Notice Inviting Applications and in the Application Contents section of this application package. Applications must be post-marked, hand delivered, or electronically submitted to the Department in accordance with the section titled Application Transmittal Instructions no later than April 22, 2005 for consideration. If you are submitting a paper application, you are required to provide one original plus two copies. Two additional copies (for a total of 5 applications) are requested but not required. If you are submitting an electronic application, please see pages E-2 thru E-4 for instructions. The Department anticipates making grant awards by mid-July 2005. For further information, please contact:

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Teacher Quality Programs
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OR Pilla Parker

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Thank you for your interest in the Javits Program.

Sincerely,

Pat O'Connell Ross Team Leader

www.ed.gov

400 MARYLAND AVE., SW, WASHINGTON, DC 20202-6200

INTENT TO APPLY

The Department will use an external peer review process to evaluate applications for the Jacob K. Javits Gifted and Talented Students Education program. We will be able to develop a more efficient process of reviewing grant applications if we have an early estimate of the number of entities that intend to apply for funding under this competition. Therefore, we strongly encourage each potential applicant to notify us by e-mail of its intent to submit an application for funding. Notification should be sent to: jacobk.javits@ed.gov by April 4, 2005.

Please include the following information in your Intent to Apply response:

- Subject Line of e-mail message should communicate, "Intent to Apply";
- Name of Primary Applicant; and
- State to be served

This notification of intent to apply is optional and should not include information regarding the proposed application.

Eligible applicants that choose not to e-mail intent to apply response may still apply for funding.

SECTION B

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

PURPOSE AND ABSOLUTE PRIORITY

Purpose: The No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (NCLB) aims to close the achievement gap for students by using scientifically based research, demonstration projects and innovative strategies. The Javits program supports NCLB by carrying out a coordinated program designed to enhance the ability of elementary and secondary schools nationwide to meet the special educational needs of gifted and talented students, particularly those from disadvantaged or underrepresented groups.

Absolute Priority: For FY 2005 and any subsequent year in which we make awards based on the list of unfunded applicants from this competition, this priority is an absolute priority.

Under 34 CFR 75.105 (c) (3) we consider only applications that meet this priority.

This priority is based on the "Special Rule" in section 5464(c) of the statute, which provides that in a year in which the Javits appropriation exceeds the appropriation for FY 2001, the Secretary must use such excess funds to award grants, on a competitive basis, to State educational agencies, local educational agencies, or both, to implement activities described in section 5464(b). In accordance with section 5464(c) and because the FY 2001 Javits appropriation was \$7.5 million and the FY 2005 appropriation is \$11 million, the Secretary will

utilize approximately \$3.5 million to fund new awards under the "Special Rule." Therefore, the Secretary establishes an absolute priority for this competition such that applications submitted in response to this announcement must propose to carry out one or more of the following 5464(b) activities:

- (1) Conducting -
- (A) scientifically based research on methods and techniques for identifying and teaching gifted and talented students and for using gifted and talented programs and methods to serve all students; and
- (B) program evaluations, surveys, and the collection, analysis, and development of information needed to accomplish the purpose of the Javits program.
- (2) Carrying out professional development (which may include fellowships) for personnel (which may include leadership personnel) involved in the education of gifted and talented students.
- (3) Establishing and operating model projects and exemplary programs for serving gifted and talented students, including innovative methods for identifying and educating students who may not be served by traditional gifted and talented programs (such as summer programs, mentoring programs, service learning programs, and cooperative programs involving business, industry, and education).

- (4) Implementing innovative strategies, such as cooperative learning, peer tutoring, and service learning.
- (5) Carrying out programs of technical assistance and information dissemination, including assistance and information with respect to how gifted and talented programs and methods, where appropriate, may be adapted for use by all students.
- (6) Making materials and services available through State regional educational service centers, institutions of higher education, or other entities.
- (7) Providing funds for challenging, high-level course work, disseminated through technologies (which may include distance learning), for individual students or groups of students in schools and local educational agencies that would not otherwise have the resources to provide such course work.

ELIGIBILITY

State educational agencies (SEA), local educational agencies (LEAs), or both may propose a project and submit an application. The SEA or the LEA is eligible to apply and serve as the fiscal agent.

EQUITABLE PARTICIPATION OF PRIVATE SCHOOL STUDENTS AND TEACHERS

In accordance with section 5466 of the Act, applicants must ensure, where appropriate, that they have made provision for the equitable participation of students and teachers in private nonprofit elementary schools and secondary schools, including the participation of teachers and other personnel in professional development programs serving such students. In that regard, grant applicants are to engage in timely and meaningful consultation with private school officials prior to making any decision that will affect the opportunities of private school students and teachers to participate in the Jacob K. Javits Gifted and Talented Education Program.

SECTION C

NOTICE INVITING APPLICANTS

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Office of Elementary and Secondary Education

Overview Information

Jacob K. Javits Gifted and Talented Students Education Program

Notice inviting applications for new awards for fiscal year (FY)

2005.

Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number: 84.206A

Dates:

Applications Available: March 8, 2005.

Deadline for Notice of Intent to Apply: April 4, 2005.

Deadline for Transmittal of Applications: April 22, 2005.

Deadline for Intergovernmental Review: June 21, 2005.

Eligible Applicants: State educational agencies (SEAs), local educational agencies (LEAs), or both.

Estimated Available Funds for New Awards: \$3,522,122.

Contingent upon the availability of funds and quality of applications, the Secretary may make additional awards in FY 2006 from the list of unfunded applicants from this competition.

Estimated Range of Awards: \$200,000 - \$400,000.

Estimated Average Size of Awards: \$270,000.

Estimated Number of Awards: 13.

Note: The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.

Project Period: Up to 36 months.

Full Text of Announcement

I. Funding Opportunity Description

Purpose of Program: The purpose of this program is to carry out a coordinated program of scientifically based research, demonstration projects, innovative strategies, and similar activities designed to build and enhance the ability of elementary and secondary schools nationwide to meet the special educational needs of gifted and talented students.

Priority: In accordance with 34 CFR 75.105 (b) (2) (iv), this priority implements section 5464(c) of the Jacob K. Javits Gifted and Talented Students Education Act of 2001 (20 U.S.C. 7253 et seq.).

Absolute Priority: For FY 2005 and any subsequent year in which we make awards based on the list of unfunded applicants from this competition, this priority is an absolute priority. Under 34 CFR 75.105 (c) (3) we consider only applications that meet this priority.

This priority is based on the "Special Rule" in section 5464(c) of the statute, which provides that in a year in which the Javits appropriation exceeds the appropriation for FY 2001, the Secretary must use such excess funds to award grants, on a competitive basis, to State educational agencies, local educational agencies, or both, to implement activities described in section 5464(b). In accordance with section 5464(c) and

because the FY 2001 Javits appropriation was \$7.5 million and the FY 2005 appropriation is \$11 million, the Secretary will utilize approximately \$3.5 million to fund new awards under the "Special Rule." Therefore, the Secretary establishes an absolute priority for this competition such that applications submitted in response to this announcement must propose to carry out one or more of the following 5464(b) activities:

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- (A) scientifically based research on methods and techniques for identifying and teaching gifted and talented students and for using gifted and talented programs and methods to serve all students; and
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- (3) Establishing and operating model projects and exemplary programs for serving gifted and talented students, including innovative methods for identifying and educating students who may not be served by traditional gifted and talented programs (such as summer programs, mentoring programs, service learning

programs, and cooperative programs involving business, industry, and education).

- (4) Implementing innovative strategies, such as cooperative learning, peer tutoring, and service learning.
- (5) Carrying out programs of technical assistance and information dissemination, including assistance and information with respect to how gifted and talented programs and methods, where appropriate, may be adapted for use by all students.
- (6) Making materials and services available through State regional educational service centers, institutions of higher education, or other entities.
- (7) Providing funds for challenging, high-level course work, disseminated through technologies (which may include distance learning), for individual students or groups of students in schools and local educational agencies that would not otherwise have the resources to provide such course work.

 Program Authority: 20 U.S.C. 7253 et seq.

<u>Applicable Regulations</u>: The Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) in 34 CFR parts 74, 75, 77, 79, 80, 81, 82, 84, 85, 97, 98, and 99.

II. Award Information

Type of Award: Discretionary grants.

Estimated Available Funds: \$3,522,122. Contingent upon the availability of funds and quality of applications, the Secretary

may make additional awards in FY 2006 from the list of unfunded applicants from this competition.

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<u>Note</u>: The Department is not bound by any estimates in this notice.

Project Period: Up to 36 months.

- III. Eligibility Information
- 1. <u>Eligible Applicants</u>: State educational agencies (SEAs), local educational agencies (LEAs), or both.
 - 2. <u>Cost Sharing or Matching</u>: This program does not involve cost sharing or matching.
- IV. Application and Submission Information
- 1. Address to Request Application Package: Education

 Publications Center (ED Pubs), P.O. Box 1398, Jessup, MD 20794
 1398. Telephone (toll free): 1-877-433-7827. FAX: (301) 470-
 - 1244. If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD), you may call (toll free): 1-877-576-7734.

You may also contact ED Pubs at its Web site:

www.ed.gov/pubs/edpubs.html or you may contact ED Pubs at its email address: edpubs@inet.ed.gov

If you request an application from ED Pubs, be sure to identify this competition as follows: CFDA number 84.206A.

Individuals with disabilities may obtain a copy of the application package in an alternative format (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, or computer diskette) by contacting the program contact person listed under For Further Information Contact in section VII of this notice.

You may also obtain an application package for this program via the Internet at the following address:

www.ed.gov/programs/javits/applicant.html

2. Content and Form of Application Submission:

Requirements concerning the content of an application, together with the forms you must submit, are in the application package for this program.

Notice of Intent to Apply: We strongly encourage each potential applicant to notify us by April 4, 2005 of its intent to submit an application for funding. We will be able to develop a more efficient process for reviewing grant applications if we have an estimate of the number of entities that intend to apply for funding under this competition. Notifications should be sent by e-mail to the following Internet address: javits@ed.gov.

Please put "Notice of Intent" in the subject line. Applicants that do not provide this e-mail notification may still apply for funding.

Page Limit: It is recommended that the program narrative not exceed 20 pages, size 12 font, double-spaced.

3. Submission Dates and Times:

Applications Available: March 8, 2005

Deadline for Notice of Intent to Apply: April 4, 2005

Deadline for Transmittal of Applications: April 22, 2005.

Applications for grants under this competition may be submitted electronically using the Electronic Grant Application System (e-Application) accessible through the Department's e-Grants system, or in paper format by mail or hand delivery. For information (including dates and times) about how to submit your application electronically, or by mail or hand delivery, please refer to section IV. 6. Other Submission Requirements in this notice.

We do not consider an application that does not comply with the deadline requirements.

Deadline for Intergovernmental Review: June 21, 2005.

- 4. Intergovernmental Review: This program is subject to Executive Order 12372 and the regulations in 34 CFR part 79. Information about Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs under Executive Order 12372 is in the application package for this competition.
- 5. <u>Funding Restrictions</u>: We reference regulations outlining funding restrictions in the <u>Applicable Regulations</u> section of this notice.
- 6. Other Submission Requirements: Applications for grants under this competition may be submitted electronically or in paper format by mail or hand delivery.

a. <u>Electronic Submission of Applications</u>. If you choose to submit your application to us electronically, you must use e-Application available through the Department's e-Grants system, accessible through the e-Grants portal page at: http://e-grants.ed.gov.

While completing your electronic application, you will be entering data online that will be saved into a database. You may not e-mail an electronic copy of a grant application to us. Please note the following:

- Your participation in e-Application is voluntary.
- You must complete the electronic submission of your grant application by 4:30 p.m., Washington, DC time, on the application deadline date. The e-Application system will not accept an application for this competition after 4:30 p.m., Washington, DC time, on the application deadline date.

 Therefore, we strongly recommend that you do not wait until the application deadline date to begin the application process.
- The regular hours of operation of the e-Grants Web site are 6:00 a.m. Monday until 7:00 p.m. Wednesday; and 6:00 a.m. Thursday until midnight Saturday, Washington, DC time. Please note that the system is unavailable on Sundays, and between 7:00 p.m. on Wednesdays and 6:00 a.m. on Thursdays, Washington, DC time, for maintenance. Any modifications to these hours are posted on the e-Grants Web site.

- You will not receive additional point value because you submit your application in electronic format, nor will we penalize you if you submit your application in paper format.
- You must submit all documents electronically, including the Application for Federal Education Assistance (ED 424), Budget Information--Non-Construction Programs (ED 524), and all necessary assurances and certifications.
- Any narrative sections of your application should be attached as files in a .DOC (document), .RTF (rich text), or .PDF (Portable Document) format.
- Your electronic application must comply with <u>any</u> page
 limit requirements described in this notice.
- Prior to submitting your electronic application, you may wish to print a copy of it for your records.
- After you electronically submit your application, you will receive an automatic acknowledgement that will include a PR/Award number (an identifying number unique to your application).
- Within three working days after submitting your electronic application, fax a signed copy of the ED 424 to the Application Control Center after following these steps:
 - (1) Print ED 424 from e-Application.
- (2) The applicant's Authorizing Representative must sign this.

- (3) Place the PR/Award number in the upper right hand corner of the hard-copy signature page of the ED 424.
- (4) Fax the signed ED 424 to the Application Control Center at (202) 245-6272.
- We may request that you provide us original signatures on other forms at a later date.

Application Deadline Date Extension in Case of System

Unavailability: If you are prevented from electronically submitting your application on the application deadline date because the e-Application system is unavailable, we will grant you an extension of one business day in order to transmit your application electronically, by mail, or by hand delivery. We will grant this extension if--

- (1) You are a registered user of e-Application and you have initiated an electronic application for this competition; and
- (2)(a) The e-Application system is unavailable for 60 minutes or more between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., Washington, DC time, on the application deadline date; or
- (b) The e-Application system is unavailable for any period of time between 3:30 p.m. and 4:30 p.m., Washington, DC time, on the application deadline date.

We must acknowledge and confirm these periods of unavailability before granting you an extension. To request this extension or to confirm our acknowledgement of any system unavailability, you may contact either (1) the person listed

elsewhere in this notice under <u>For Further Information Contact</u> (see VII. Agency Contact) or (2) the e-Grants help desk at 1-888-336-8930. If the system is down and therefore the application deadline is extended, an e-mail will be sent to all registered users who have initiated an e-Application.

Extensions referred to in this section apply only to the unavailability of the Department's e-Application system. If the e-Application system is available, and, for any reason, you are unable to submit your application electronically or you do not receive an automatic acknowledgement of your submission, you may submit your application in paper format by mail or hand delivery in accordance with the instructions in this notice.

Submission of Paper Applications by Mail:

If you submit your application in paper format by mail (through the U.S. Postal Service or a commercial carrier), you must mail the original and two copies of your application, on or before the application deadline date, to the Department at the applicable following address:

By mail through the U.S. Postal Service:

U.S. Department of Education Application Control Center Attention: CFDA Number 84.206A 400 Maryland Avenue, SW. Washington, DC 20202-4260

or

By mail through a commercial carrier:

U.S. Department of Education Application Control Center - Stop 4260 Attention: CFDA Number 84.206A 7100 Old Landover Road Landover, MD 20785-1506

Regardless of which address you use, you must show proof of mailing consisting of one of the following:

- (1) A legibly dated U.S. Postal Service postmark;
- (2) A legible mail receipt with the date of mailing stamped by the U.S. Postal Service;
- (3) A dated shipping label, invoice, or receipt from a commercial carrier; or
- (4) Any proof of mailing acceptable to the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Education.

If you mail your application through the U.S. Postal Service, we do not accept either of the following as proof of mailing:

- (1) A private metered postmark, or
- (2) A mail receipt that is not dated by the U.S. Postal Service

If your application is postmarked after the application deadline date, we will not consider your application.

Note: The U.S. Postal Service does not uniformly provide a dated postmark. Before relying on this method, you should check with your local post office.

c. <u>Submission of Paper Applications by Hand Delivery</u>. If you submit your application in paper format by hand delivery, you (or a courier service) must deliver the original and two

copies of your application by hand, on or before the application deadline date, to the Department at the following address:

U.S. Department of Education Application Control Center Attention: CFDA Number 84.206A 550 12th Street, SW. Room 7041, Potomac Center Plaza Washington, DC 20202-4260

The Application Control Center accepts hand deliveries daily between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Washington, DC time, except Saturdays, Sundays, and Federal holidays.

Note for Mail or Hand Delivery of Paper Applications: If you mail or hand deliver your application to the Department:

- (1) You must indicate on the envelope and if not provided by the Department in Item 4 of the ED 424 the CFDA number and suffix letter, if any of the competition under which you are submitting your application.
- (2) The Application Control Center will mail a grant application receipt to you. If you do not receive the grant application receipt acknowledgement within 15 business days from the application deadline date, you should call the U.S. Department of Education Application Control Center at (202) 245-6288.

V. Application Review Information

1. <u>Selection Criteria</u>: We use the following selection criteria from 34 CFR 75.210 to evaluate applications for new grants under this competition. The maximum score for each criterion is indicated in parenthesis.

We evaluate an application by determining how well the proposed project meets the following criteria:

- (a) Need for project (20 points). The Secretary considers the need for the proposed project. In determining the need for the proposed project, the Secretary considers the extent to which specific gaps or weaknesses in services, infrastructure, or opportunities have been identified and will be addressed by the proposed project, including the nature and magnitude of those gaps or weaknesses.
 - (b) Quality of the project design (25 points). The Secretary considers the quality of the design of the proposed project.

 In determining the quality of the design of the proposed project, the Secretary considers the following factors:
- i. The extent to which the goals, objectives, and outcomes to be achieved by the proposed project are clearly specified and measurable.
- ii. The extent to which the design of the proposed project is appropriate to, and will successfully address, the needs of the target population or other identified needs.
- iii. The extent to which the proposed project represents an exceptional approach for meeting statutory purposes and requirements.
 - (c) Quality of project personnel (10 points). The Secretary considers the quality of the personnel who will carry out the proposed project. In determining the quality of

project personnel, the Secretary considers the extent to which the applicant encourages applications for employment from persons who are members of groups that have traditionally been underrepresented based on race, color, national origin, gender, age, or disability. In addition, the Secretary considers the following:

- i. The qualifications, including relevant training and experience, of the project director or principal investigator.
- ii. The qualifications, including relevant training and experience, of key project personnel.
 - (d) Quality of the management plan (20 points). The Secretary considers the quality of the management plan for the proposed project. In determining the quality of the management plan for the proposed project, the Secretary considers the adequacy of the management plan to achieve the objectives of the proposed project on time and within budget, including clearly defined responsibilities, timelines, and milestones for accomplishing project tasks.
 - (e) Quality of the project evaluation (25 points). The Secretary considers the quality of the evaluation to be conducted of the proposed project. In determining the quality of the evaluation, the Secretary considers the following factors:

- i. The extent to which the methods of evaluation are thorough, feasible, and appropriate to the goals, objectives, and outcomes of the proposed project.
- ii. The extent to which the evaluation will provide guidance about effective strategies suitable for replication or testing in other settings.

VI. Award Administration Information

1. Award Notices: If your application is successful, we notify your U.S. Representative and U.S. Senators and send you a Grant Award Notification (GAN). We may also notify you informally.

If your application is not evaluated or not selected for funding, we notify you.

2. Administrative and National Policy Requirements: We identify administrative and national policy requirements in the application package and reference these and other requirements in the Applicable Regulations section of this notice.

We reference the regulations outlining the terms and conditions of an award in the <u>Applicable Regulations</u> section of this notice and include these and other specific conditions in the GAN. The GAN also incorporates your approved application as part of your binding commitments under the grant.

3. Reporting: At the end of your project period, you must submit a final performance report, including financial information, as directed by the Secretary. If you receive a

multi-year award, you must submit an annual performance report that provides the most current performance and financial expenditure information as specified by the Secretary in 34 CFR 75.118.

4. Performance Measures: Pursuant to the Government Performance and Results Act (GPRA), the Department developed two measures for evaluating the overall effectiveness of projects funded under the Javits program. These measures gauge project quality and improvements in professional knowledge for teachers and academic achievement in students served by the projects by assessing: (1) the number of project designs that are rated by an independent review panel of qualified scientists and practitioners as being of "high or above" quality; and (2) the number of projects that have evidence of significant gains in teacher knowledge or student achievement, or both.

The Department will collect data for these measures from grantees' annual performance reports and other existing data sources.

VII. Agency Contact

For Further Information Contact: Danita Woodley, U.S.

Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., room 3W253,

Washington, DC, 20202-6200. Telephone: (202) 260-8735 or by e
mail: Danita.Woodley@ed.gov.

If you use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD), you may call the Federal Relay Service (FIRS) at

1-800-877-8339.

Individuals with disabilities may obtain this document in an alternative format (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, or computer diskette) on request to the program contact person listed in this section.

VIII. Other Information

Electronic Access to This Document: You may view this document, as well as all other documents of this Department published in the Federal Register, in text or Adobe Portable Document Format (PDF) on the Internet at the following site:

www.ed.gov/news/fedregister.

To use PDF you must have Adobe Acrobat Reader, which is available free at this site. If you have questions about using PDF, call the U.S. Government Printing Office (GPO), toll free, at 1-888-293-6498; or in the Washington, DC, area at (202) 512-1530.

<u>Note</u>: The official version of this document is the document published in the <u>Federal Register</u>. Free Internet access to the official edition of the <u>Federal Register</u> and the Code of Federal Regulations is available on GPO Access at:

www.gpoaccess.gov/nara/index.html.

Dated: March 3, 2005

Raymond Simon,
Assistant Secretary for Elementary
and Secondary Education.

PROGRAM STATUTE

Public Law 107-110

Title V, Part D, Subpart 6 of the
Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965
As Amended by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (P.L. 107110)

SEC. 5461. SHORT TITLE.

This subpart may be cited as the 'Jacob K. Javits Gifted and Talented Students Education Act of 2001'.

SEC. 5462. PURPOSE.

The purpose of this subpart is to initiate a coordinated program of scientifically based research, demonstration projects, innovative strategies, and similar activities designed to build and enhance the ability of elementary schools and secondary schools nationwide to meet the special educational needs of gifted and talented students.

SEC. 5463. RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.

Nothing in this subpart shall be construed to prohibit a recipient of funds under this subpart from serving gifted and talented students simultaneously with students with similar educational needs, in the same educational settings, where appropriate.

SEC. 5464. AUTHORIZED PROGRAMS.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT OF PROGRAM-

(1) IN GENERAL- The Secretary (after consultation with experts in the field of the education of gifted and talented students) is authorized to make grants to, or enter into contracts with, State educational agencies, local educational agencies, institutions of higher education, other public agencies, and other private agencies and organizations (including Indian tribes and Indian organizations (as such terms are defined in section 4 of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act (25 U.S.C. 450b)) and Native Hawaiian organizations) to assist such agencies, institutions, and organizations in carrying out programs or projects authorized by this subpart that are designed to meet the educational needs of gifted and talented students, including the training of personnel in the education of gifted and talented students and in the use, where appropriate, of gifted and talented services, materials, and methods for all students.

- (2) APPLICATION- Each entity seeking assistance under this subpart shall submit an application to the Secretary at such time, in such manner, and containing such information as the Secretary may reasonably require. Each such application shall describe how
 - (A) the proposed gifted and talented services, materials, and methods can be adapted, if appropriate, for use by all students; and
- (B) the proposed programs can be evaluated.

 (b) USE OF FUNDS- Programs and projects assisted under this section may include one or more of the following:
 - (1) Conducting -
 - (A) scientifically based research on methods and techniques for identifying and teaching gifted and talented students and for using gifted and talented programs and methods to serve all students; and
 - (B) program evaluations, surveys, and the collection, analysis, and development of information needed to accomplish the purpose of this subpart.
 - (2) Carrying out professional development (including fellowships) for personnel (including leadership personnel) involved in the education of gifted and talented students.
 - (3) Establishing and operating model projects and exemplary programs for serving gifted and talented students, including innovative methods for identifying and educating students who may not be served by traditional gifted and talented programs (such as summer programs, mentoring programs, service learning programs, and cooperative programs involving business, industry, and education).
 - (4) Implementing innovative strategies, such as cooperative learning, peer tutoring, and service learning.
 - (5) Carrying out programs of technical assistance and information dissemination, including assistance and information with respect to how gifted and talented programs and methods, where appropriate, may be adapted for use by all students.
 - (6) Making materials and services available through State regional educational service centers, institutions of higher education, or other entities.
 - (7) Providing funds for challenging, high-level course work, disseminated through technologies (including distance learning), for individual students or groups of students in schools and local educational agencies that would not otherwise have the resources to provide such course work.

- (c) SPECIAL RULE- To the extent that funds appropriated to carry out this subpart for a fiscal year beginning with fiscal year 2002 exceed such funds appropriated for fiscal year 2001, the Secretary shall use such excess funds to award grants, on a competitive basis, to State educational agencies, local educational agencies, or both, to implement activities described in subsection (b).
- (d) CENTER FOR RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT-
 - (1) IN GENERAL- The Secretary (after consultation with experts in the field of the education of gifted and talented students) shall establish a National Research Center for the Education of Gifted and Talented Children and Youth through grants to, or contracts with, one or more institutions of higher education or State educational agencies, or a combination or consortium of such institutions and agencies and other public or private agencies and organizations, for the purpose of carrying out activities described in subsection (b).
 - (2) DIRECTOR- The National Center shall be headed by a Director. The Secretary may authorize the Director to carry out such functions of the National Center as may be agreed upon through arrangements with institutions of higher education, State educational agencies, local educational agencies, or other public or private agencies and organizations.
 - (3) FUNDING- The Secretary may use not more than 30 percent of the funds made available under this subpart for fiscal year 2001 to carry out this subsection.
- (e) COORDINATION- Scientifically based research activities supported under this subpart -
 - (1) shall be carried out in consultation with the Office of Educational Research and Improvement to ensure that such activities are coordinated with and enhance the research and development activities supported by such Office; and
 - (2) may include collaborative scientifically based research activities which are jointly funded and carried out with such Office.

SEC. 5465. PROGRAM PRIORITIES.

- (a) GENERAL PRIORITY- In carrying out this subpart, the Secretary shall give highest priority to programs and projects designed to develop new information that
 - (1) improves the capability of schools to plan, conduct, and improve programs to identify and serve gifted and talented students; and
 - (2) assists schools in the identification of, and provision of services to, gifted and talented students (including economically disadvantaged individuals,

individuals with limited English proficiency, and individuals with disabilities) who may not be identified and served through traditional assessment methods.

(b) SERVICE PRIORITY- The Secretary shall ensure that not less than 50 percent of the applications approved under section 5464(a)(2) in a fiscal year address the priority described in subsection (a)(2).

SEC. 5466. GENERAL PROVISIONS.

- (a) PARTICIPATION OF PRIVATE SCHOOL CHILDREN AND TEACHERS—In making grants and entering into contracts under this subpart, the Secretary shall ensure, where appropriate, that provision is made for the equitable participation of students and teachers in private nonprofit elementary schools and secondary schools, including the participation of teachers and other personnel in professional development programs serving such students.
- (b) REVIEW, DISSEMINATION, AND EVALUATION- The Secretary shall -
 - (1) use a peer review process in reviewing applications under this subpart;
 - (2) ensure that information on the activities and results of programs and projects funded under this subpart is disseminated to appropriate State educational agencies, local educational agencies, and other appropriate organizations, including nonprofit private organizations; and
 - (3) evaluate the effectiveness of programs under this subpart in accordance with section 9601, in terms of the impact on students traditionally served in separate gifted and talented programs and on other students, and submit the results of such evaluation to Congress not later than 2 years after the date of enactment of the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001.
- (c) PROGRAM OPERATIONS- The Secretary shall ensure that the programs under this subpart are administered within the Department by a person who has recognized professional qualifications and experience in the field of the education of gifted and talented students and who shall
 - (1) administer and coordinate the programs authorized under this subpart;
 - (2) serve as a focal point of national leadership and information on the educational needs of gifted and talented students and the availability of educational services and programs designed to meet such needs;
 - (3) assist the Assistant Secretary for Educational Research and Improvement in identifying research priorities that reflect the needs of gifted and talented students; and

(4) shall disseminate, and consult on, the information developed under this subpart with other offices within the Department.

SECTION D

APPLICATION CONTENTS

PROPOSAL PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS

To compete for an award under this program, the completed application must include the following seven parts:

Part I: Cover Page: Application for Federal Assistance (Standard Form 424)
This part of your application consists of the standard application face page
on which you provide basic identifying information about the applicant and
the application. Specific instructions for completing this form are
provided.

Part II: Table of Contents

Include a one-page table of contents.

Part III: Abstract

The abstract should be 1-2 page(s) in length and include a concise description of the project:

- Goals and Objectives;
- Design; and
- Impact: Identify project partners and provide the number of States, local educational agencies, teachers and students to be served.

Part IV: Program Narrative

This part of your application contains information responsive to the Project Selection Criteria and the requirements of the Absolute Priority. Please see recommended Page Limit on page C-6.

Part V: ED Form 524 and Budget Narrative

In order to be considered for Federal funding, each applicant must provide the following:

• ED Form 524 - You must provide complete budget information for each year of requested funding.

Line item explanations for ED FORM 524

<u>Name:</u> Enter the Name of the applicant organization(s) or institution(s) in the blank space provided.

<u>Personnel (line 1)</u>: Enter project personnel salaries and wages only. Include fees and expenses for consultants on line 6.

<u>Fringe Benefits (line 2)</u>: The entity's normal fringe benefit contribution may be charged to the program. Leave this line blank if fringe benefits applicable to direct salaries and wages are treated as part of the indirect cost.

<u>Travel (line 3)</u>: Indicate the travel costs of employees and participants only. Include travel of such persons as consultants on line 6.

Please include funds for one trip during each year of the project to

attend a Javits Project Directors' meeting in Washington, DC. Each trip will be for two days for up to two project staff.

Equipment (line 4): Indicate the cost of non-expendable personal property that has a usefulness of greater than one year, and acquisition cost that is the lesser of the capitalization level established by the applicant entity for financial statement purposes, or \$5,000 per article. Lower limits may be established to maintain consistency with the applicant's policy.

<u>Supplies (line 5)</u>: Show all tangible personal property except that included on line 4.

<u>Contractual (line 6)</u>: Include consultant travel costs, fees, and expenses.

Construction (line 7): Not applicable.

Other (line 8): Indicate all direct costs not covered on lines 1-6. Examples are equipment rental, required fees, communication costs, or printing costs.

Note: We will not pay for memberships to national or State associations.

Total Direct Costs (line 9): The sum of lines 1-8.

Indirect Costs (line 10): Indicate the applicant's approved, unrestricted, indirect cost rate, per sections 75.560 - 75.580 of EDGAR. If an applicant is an LEA and does not have an approved indirect cost rate agreement, then he/she should contact its SEA to have one calculated and approved. SEAs without indirect cost rate agreements, should contact their cognizant federal agencies to have their indirect cost rates calculated and approved.

For more information on indirect cost rates, go to the Department's website at:

http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocfo/fipao/icgindex.html.

Training Stipends (line 11): Not applicable.

Total Cost (line 12): This should equal the sum of lines 9-11 (total direct costs + indirect + stipends). The sum for column one, labeled Project Year 1 (a), should also be equal to item 13a on the application face sheet (ED Form 424).

- The BUDGET NARRATIVE Should Explain:
 - 1. The basis for estimating the costs of personnel salaries, benefits, project staff travel, materials and supplies, consultants and subcontracts, indirect costs, and any projected expenditures; and
 - 2. How the major cost items relate to the proposed activities.

Part VI: Assurances and Certifications

Be certain to include all assurances and certifications. These include:

- Certifications Regarding Lobbying; Debarment; Suspension, and other Responsibility Matters; and Drug-Free Workplace Requirements (ED 80-0013)
- Certification Regarding Debarment; Suspension; Ineligibility; and Voluntary Exclusion--Lower Tier Covered Transactions (ED 80-0014)
- Assurances—Non-Construction Programs (SF 424B Form)
- Disclosure of Lobbying Activity (SF LLL Form) (if applicable)
- Survey on Ensuring Equal Opportunity for Applicants (if applicable)

Note: Copies of standard forms are available at the U.S. Department of Education's Web site at:

http://www.ed.gov/fund/grant/apply/appforms/appforms.html

Part VII: Response to Section 427 of GEPA Guidance

Include a narrative that responds to Section 427 of the Department's General Education Provisions Act (GEPA). See pages D-28 through D-29.

Application for Federal

Education Assistance (ED 424)



U.S. Department of Education

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Instructions for Form ED 424

- 1. Legal Name and Address. Enter the legal name of applicant and the name of the primary organizational unit which will undertake the assistance activity.
- 2. **D-U-N-S Number.** Enter the applicant's D-U-N-S Number. If your organization does not have a D-U-N-S Number, you can obtain the number by calling 1-800-333-0505 or by completing a D-U-N-S Number Request Form. The form can be obtained via the Internet at the following URL: http://www.dnb.com.
- **3. Tax Identification Number.** Enter the taxpayer's identification number as assigned by the Internal Revenue Service.
- 4. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number. Enter the CFDA number and title of the program under which assistance is requested. The CFDA number can be found in the federal register notice and the application package.
- **5. Project Director**. Name, address, telephone and fax numbers, and e-mail address of the person to be contacted on matters involving this application.
- **6. Novice Applicant**. Check "**Yes**" or "**No**" only if assistance is being requested under a program that gives special consideration to novice applicants. Otherwise. **leave blank**.
 - Check "Yes" if you meet the requirements for novice applicants specified in the regulations in 34 CFR 75.225 and included on the attached page entitled "Definitions for Form ED 424." By checking "Yes" the applicant certifies that it meets these novice applicant requirements. Check "No" if you do not meet the requirements for novice applicants.
- 7. Federal Debt Delinquency. Check "Yes" if the applicant's organization is delinquent on any Federal debt. (This question refers to the applicant's organization and not to the person who signs as the authorized representative. Categories

- of debt include delinquent audit disallowances, loans and taxes.) Otherwise, check "No."
- **8. Type of Applicant.** Enter the appropriate letter in the box provided.
- **9. State Application Identifier**. State use only (if applicable).
- **10. Type of Submission**. See "Definitions for Form ED 424" attached.
- 11. Executive Order 12372. See "Definitions for Form ED 424" attached. Check "Yes" if the application is subject to review by E.O. 12372. Also, please enter the month, day, and four (4) digit year (mm/dd/yyyy). Otherwise, check "No."
- **12. Proposed Project Dates**. Please enter the month, day, and four (4) digit year (mm/dd/yyyy).
- **13. Human Subjects Research**. (See I.A. "Definitions" in attached page entitled "Definitions for Form ED 424.")

If Not Human Subjects Research. Check "No" if research activities involving human subjects are not planned at any time during the proposed project period. The remaining parts of Item 12 are then not applicable.

If Human Subjects Research. Check "Yes" if research activities involving human subjects are planned at any time during the proposed project period, either at the applicant organization or at any other performance site or collaborating institution. Check "Yes" even if the research is exempt from the regulations for the protection of human subjects. (See I.B. "Exemptions" in attached page entitled "Definitions for Form ED 424.")

13a. If Human Subjects Research is Exempt from the Human Subjects Regulations. Check "Yes" if all the research activities proposed are designated to be exempt from the regulations. Insert the exemption number(s) corresponding to one or more of the six exemption categories listed

in I.B. "Exemptions." In addition, follow the instructions in II.A. "Exempt Research Narrative" in the attached page entitled "Definitions for Form ED 424." Insert this narrative immediately following the ED 424 face page.

13a. If Human Subjects Research is Not Exempt from Human Subjects Regulations. Check "No" if some or all of the planned research activities are covered (not exempt). In addition, follow the instructions in II.B. "Nonexempt Research Narrative" in the page entitled "Definitions for Form ED 424." Insert this narrative immediately following the ED 424 face page.

13a. Human Subjects Assurance Number. If the applicant has an approved Federal Wide (FWA) or Multiple Project Assurance (MPA) with the Office for Human Research Protections (OHRP), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, that covers the specific activity, insert the number in the space provided. If the applicant does not have an approved assurance on file with OHRP. enter "None." In this case, the applicant, by signature on the face page, is declaring that it will comply with 34 CFR 97 and proceed to obtain the human subjects assurance upon request by the designated ED official. If the application is recommended/selected for funding, the designated ED official will request that the applicant obtain the assurance within 30 days after the specific formal request.

Note about Institutional Review Board Approval.

ED does not require certification of Institutional Review Board approval with the application. However, if an application that involves non-exempt human subjects research is recommended/selected for funding, the designated ED official will request that the applicant obtain and send the certification to ED within 30 days after the formal request.

14. Project Title. Enter a brief descriptive title of the project. If more than one program is involved, you should append an explanation on a separate sheet. If appropriate (e.g., construction or real property projects), attach a map showing project location. For preapplications, use a separate sheet to provide a summary description of this project.

- 15. Estimated Funding. Amount requested or to be contributed during the first funding/budget period by each contributor. Value of in-kind contributions should be included on appropriate lines as applicable. If the action will result in a dollar change to an existing award, indicate only the amount of the change. For decreases, enclose the amounts in parentheses. If both basic and supplemental amounts are included, show breakdown on an attached sheet. For multiple program funding, use totals and show breakdown using same categories as item 15.
- 16. Certification. To be signed by the authorized representative of the applicant. A copy of the governing body's authorization for you to sign this application as official representative must be on file in the applicant's office. Be sure to enter the telephone and fax number and e-mail address of the authorized representative. Also, in item 15e, please enter the month, day, and four (4) digit year (mm/dd/yyyy) in the date signed field.

Paperwork Burden Statement. According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless such collection displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is 1875-0106. The time required to complete this information collection is estimated to average between 15 and 45 minutes per response, including the time to review instructions, search existing data resources, gather the data needed, and complete and review the information collection. If you have any comments concerning the accuracy of the estimate(s) or suggestions for improving this form, please write to: U.S. Department of Education, Washington, D.C. 20202-4700. If you have comments or concerns regarding the status of your individual submission of this form write directly to: Joyce I. Mays, Application Control Center, U.S. Department of Education, Potomac Center Plaza, 550 12th Street SW, Room 7076, Washington, DC 20202-4260.

Definitions for Form ED 424

Novice Applicant (See 34 CFR 75.225). For discretionary grant programs under which the Secretary gives special consideration to novice applications, a novice applicant means any applicant for a grant from ED that—

- Has never received a grant or subgrant under the program from which it seeks funding;
- Has never been a member of a group application, submitted in accordance with 34 CFR 75.127-75.129, that received a grant under the program from which it seeks funding; and
- Has not had an active discretionary grant from the Federal government in the five years before the deadline date for applications under the program. For the purposes of this requirement, a grant is active until the end of the grant's project or funding period, including any extensions of those periods that extend the grantee's authority to obligate funds.

In the case of a group application submitted in accordance with 34 CFR 75.127-75.129, a group includes only parties that meet the requirements listed above.

Type of Submission. "Construction" includes construction of new buildings and acquisition, expansion, remodeling, and alteration of existing buildings, and initial equipment of any such buildings, or any combination of such activities (including architects' fees and the cost of acquisition of land). "Construction" also includes remodeling to meet standards, remodeling designed to conserve energy, renovation or remodeling to accommodate new technologies, and the purchase of existing historic buildings for conversion to public libraries. For the purposes of this paragraph, the term "equipment" includes machinery, utilities, and built-in equipment and any necessary enclosures or structures to house them; and such term includes all other items necessary for the functioning of a particular facility as a facility for the provision of library services.

Executive Order 12372. The purpose of Executive Order 12372 is to foster an intergovernmental partnership and strengthen federalism by relying on State and local processes for the coordination and review of proposed Federal financial assistance and direct Federal development. The application notice, as published in the Federal Register, informs the applicant as to whether the program is subject to the requirements of E.O. 12372. In addition, the application package contains information on the State Single Point of Contact. An applicant is still eligible to apply for a grant or grants even if its respective State, Territory, Commonwealth, etc. does not have a State Single Point of Contact. For additional information on E.O. 12372 go to http://12.46.245.173/pls/portal30/catalog.REQ_FOR_12372.show

PROTECTION OF HUMAN SUBJECTS IN RESEARCH

I. Definitions and Exemptions

A. Definitions.

A research activity involves human subjects if the activity is research, as defined in the Department's regulations, and the research activity will involve use of human subjects, as defined in the regulations.

-Research

The ED Regulations for the Protection of Human Subjects, Title 34, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 97, define research as "a systematic investigation, including research development, testing and evaluation, designed to develop or contribute to generalizable knowledge." *If an activity follows a deliberate plan whose purpose is to develop or contribute to generalizable knowledge it is research.* Activities which meet this definition constitute research whether or not they are conducted or supported under a program which is considered research for other purposes. For example, some demonstration and service programs may include research activities.

—Human Subject

The regulations define human subject as "a living individual about whom an investigator (whether professional or student) conducting research obtains (1) data through intervention or interaction with the individual, or (2) identifiable private information." (1) If an activity involves obtaining information about a living person by manipulating that person or that person's environment, as might occur when a new instructional technique is tested, or by communicating or interacting with the individual, as occurs with surveys and interviews, the definition of human subject is met. (2) If an activity involves obtaining private information about a living person in such a way that the information can be linked to that individual (the identity of the subject is or may be readily determined by the investigator or associated with the information), the definition of human subject is met. [Private information includes information about behavior that occurs in a context in which an individual can reasonably expect that no observation or recording is taking place, and information which has been provided for specific purposes by an individual and which the individual can reasonably expect will not be made public (for example, a school health record).]

B. Exemptions.

Research activities in which the **only** involvement of human subjects will be in one or more of the following six categories of *exemptions* are not covered by the regulations:

- (1) Research conducted in established or commonly accepted educational settings, involving normal educational practices, such as (a) research on regular and special education instructional strategies, or (b) research on the effectiveness of or the comparison among instructional techniques, curricula, or classroom management methods.
- (2) Research involving the use of educational tests (cognitive, diagnostic, aptitude, achievement), survey procedures, interview procedures or observation of public behavior, unless: (a) information obtained is recorded in such a manner that human subjects can be identified, directly or through identifiers linked to the subjects; and (b) any disclosure of the human subjects' responses outside the research could reasonably place the subjects at risk of criminal or civil liability or be damaging to the subjects' financial standing, employability, or reputation. If the subjects are children, exemption 2 applies only to research involving educational tests and observations of public behavior when the investigator(s) do not participate in the activities being observed. Exemption 2 does not apply if children are surveyed or interviewed or if the research involves observation of public behavior and the investigator(s) participate in the activities being observed. [Children are defined as persons who have not attained the legal age

for consent to treatments or procedures involved in the research, under the applicable law or jurisdiction in which the research will be conducted.]

- (3) Research involving the use of educational tests (cognitive, diagnostic, aptitude, achievement), survey procedures, interview procedures or observation of public behavior that is not exempt under section (2) above, if the human subjects are elected or appointed public officials or candidates for public office; or federal statute(s) require(s) without exception that the confidentiality of the personally identifiable information will be maintained throughout the research and thereafter.
- (4) Research involving the collection or study of existing data, documents, records, pathological specimens, or diagnostic specimens, if these sources are publicly available or if the information is recorded by the investigator in a manner that subjects cannot be identified, directly or through identifiers linked to the subjects.
- (5) Research and demonstration projects which are conducted by or subject to the approval of department or agency heads, and which are designed to study, evaluate, or otherwise examine: (a) public benefit or service programs; (b) procedures for obtaining benefits or services under those programs; (c) possible changes in or alternatives to those programs or procedures; or (d) possible changes in methods or levels of payment for benefits or services under those programs.
- (6) Taste and food quality evaluation and consumer acceptance studies, (a) if wholesome foods without additives are consumed or (b) if a food is consumed that contains a food ingredient at or below the level and for a use found to be safe, or agricultural chemical or environmental contaminant at or below the level found to be safe, by the Food and Drug Administration or approved by the Environmental Protection Agency or the Food Safety and Inspection Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

II. Instructions for Exempt and Nonexempt Human Subjects Research Narratives

If the applicant marked "Yes" for Item 13 on the ED 424, the applicant must provide a human subjects "exempt research" or "nonexempt research" narrative and insert it immediately following the ED 424 face page.

A. Exempt Research Narrative.

If you marked "Yes" for item 13 a. and designated exemption numbers(s), provide the "exempt research" narrative. The narrative must contain sufficient information about the involvement of human subjects in the proposed research to allow a determination by ED that the designated exemption(s) are appropriate. The narrative must be succinct.

B. Nonexempt Research Narrative.

If you marked "No" for item 13 a. you must provide the "nonexempt research" narrative. The narrative must address the following seven points. Although no specific page limitation applies to this section of the application, be succinct.

(1) **Human Subjects Involvement and Characteristics**: Provide a detailed description of the proposed involvement of human subjects. Describe the characteristics of the subject population, including their anticipated number, age range, and health status. Identify the criteria for

inclusion or exclusion of any subpopulation. Explain the rationale for the involvement of special classes of subjects, such as children, children with disabilities, adults with disabilities, persons with mental disabilities, pregnant women, prisoners, institutionalized individuals, or others who are likely to be vulnerable

- (2) **Sources of Materials**: Identify the sources of research material obtained from individually identifiable living human subjects in the form of specimens, records, or data. Indicate whether the material or data will be obtained specifically for research purposes or whether use will be made of existing specimens, records, or data.
- (3) **Recruitment and Informed Consent**: Describe plans for the recruitment of subjects and the consent procedures to be followed. Include the circumstances under which consent will be sought and obtained, who will seek it, the nature of the information to be provided to prospective subjects, and the method of documenting consent. State if the Institutional Review Board (IRB) has authorized a modification or waiver of the elements of consent or the requirement for documentation of consent.
- (4) **Potential Risks**: Describe potential risks (physical, psychological, social, legal, or other) and assess their likelihood and seriousness. Where appropriate, describe alternative treatments and procedures that might be advantageous to the subjects.
- (5) **Protection Against Risk**: Describe the procedures for protecting against or minimizing potential risks, including risks to confidentiality, and assess their likely effectiveness. Where appropriate, discuss provisions for ensuring necessary medical or professional intervention in the event of adverse effects to the subjects. Also, where appropriate, describe the provisions for monitoring the data collected to ensure the safety of the subjects.
- (6) **Importance of the Knowledge to be Gained**: Discuss the importance of the knowledge gained or to be gained as a result of the proposed research. Discuss why the risks to subjects are reasonable in relation to the anticipated benefits to subjects and in relation to the importance of the knowledge that may reasonably be expected to result.
- (7) **Collaborating Site(s)**: If research involving human subjects will take place at collaborating site(s) or other performance site(s), name the sites and briefly describe their involvement or role in the research.

Copies of the Department of Education's Regulations for the Protection of Human Subjects, 34 CFR Part 97 and other pertinent materials on the protection of human subjects in research are available from the Grants Policy and Oversight Staff, Office of the Chief Financial Officer, U.S. Department of Education, Washington, D.C. 20202-4250, telephone: (202) 245-6120, and on the U.S. Department of Education's Protection of Human Subjects in Research Web Site at http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocfo/humansub.html

RESPONDING TO THE ABSOLUTE PRIORITY

Absolute Priority: For FY 2005 and any subsequent year in which we make awards based on the list of unfunded applicants from this competition, this priority is an absolute priority. Under 34 CFR 75.105 (c) (3) we consider only applications that meet this priority.

This priority is based on the "Special Rule" in section 5464(c) of the statute, which provides that in a year in which the Javits appropriation exceeds the appropriation for FY 2001, the Secretary must use such excess funds to award grants, on a competitive basis, to State educational agencies, local educational agencies, or both, to implement activities described in section 5464(b). In accordance with section 5464(c) and because the FY 2001 Javits appropriation was \$7.5 million and the FY 2005 appropriation is \$11 million, the Secretary will utilize approximately \$3.5 million to fund new awards under the "Special Rule." Therefore, the Secretary establishes an absolute priority for this competition such that applications submitted in response to this announcement must propose to carry out one or more of the following 5464(b) activities:

- (1) Conducting -
- (A) scientifically based research on methods and techniques for identifying and teaching gifted and talented students and

for using gifted and talented programs and methods to serve all students; and

- (B) program evaluations, surveys, and the collection, analysis, and development of information needed to accomplish the purpose of the Javits program.
- (2) Carrying out professional development (which may include fellowships) for personnel (which may include leadership personnel) involved in the education of gifted and talented students.
- (3) Establishing and operating model projects and exemplary programs for serving gifted and talented students, including innovative methods for identifying and educating students who may not be served by traditional gifted and talented programs (such as summer programs, mentoring programs, service learning programs, and cooperative programs involving business, industry, and education).
- (4) Implementing innovative strategies, such as cooperative learning, peer tutoring, and service learning.
- (5) Carrying out programs of technical assistance and information dissemination, including assistance and information with respect to how gifted and talented programs and methods, where appropriate, may be adapted for use by all students.

- (6) Making materials and services available through State regional educational service centers, institutions of higher education, or other entities.
- (7) Providing funds for challenging, high-level course work, disseminated through technologies (which may include distance learning), for individual students or groups of students in schools and local educational agencies that would not otherwise have the resources to provide such course work.

PROGRAM SELECTION CRITERIA

<u>Selection Criteria</u>: We use the following selection criteria from 34 CFR 75.210 to evaluate applications for new grants under this competition. The maximum score for each criterion is indicated in parenthesis.

We evaluate an application by determining how well the proposed project meets the following criteria:

- (b) Need for project (20 points). The Secretary considers the need for the proposed project. In determining the need for the proposed project, the Secretary considers the extent to which specific gaps or weaknesses in services, infrastructure, or opportunities have been identified and will be addressed by the proposed project, including the nature and magnitude of those gaps or weaknesses.
 - (b) Quality of the project design (25 points). The Secretary considers the quality of the design of the proposed project. In determining the quality of the design of the proposed project, the Secretary considers the following factors:
- i. The extent to which the goals, objectives, and outcomes to be achieved by the proposed project are clearly specified and measurable.
- ii. The extent to which the design of the proposed project is appropriate to, and will successfully address, the needs of the target population or other identified needs.
- iii. The extent to which the proposed project represents an exceptional approach for meeting statutory purposes and requirements.
 - (c) Quality of project personnel (10 points). The Secretary considers the quality of the personnel who will carry out the proposed project. In

determining the quality of project personnel, the Secretary considers the extent to which the applicant encourages applications for employment from persons who are members of groups that have traditionally been underrepresented based on race, color, national origin, gender, age, or disability. In addition, the Secretary considers the following:

- i. The qualifications, including relevant training and experience, of the project director or principal investigator.
- ii. The qualifications, including relevant training and experience, of key project personnel.
 - (d) Quality of the management plan (20 points). The Secretary considers the quality of the management plan for the proposed project. In determining the quality of the management plan for the proposed project, the Secretary considers the adequacy of the management plan to achieve the objectives of the proposed project on time and within budget, including clearly defined responsibilities, timelines, and milestones for accomplishing project tasks.
 - (e) Quality of the project evaluation (25 points). The Secretary considers the quality of the evaluation to be conducted of the proposed project. In determining the quality of the evaluation, the Secretary considers the following factors:
- i. The extent to which the methods of evaluation are thorough, feasible, and appropriate to the goals, objectives, and outcomes of the proposed project.
- ii. The extent to which the evaluation will provide guidance about effective strategies suitable for replication or testing in other settings.



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION BUDGET INFORMATION NON-CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMS

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Applicants requesting funding for only one year should complete the column under "Project Year 1." Applicants requesting funding for multi-year grants should complete all applicable columns. Please read all instructions before completing form.

SECTION A - BUDGET SUMMARY

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FUNDS

Budget Categories	Project Year 1 (a)	Project Year 2 (b)	Project Year 3 (c)	Project Year 4 (d)	Project Year 5 (e)	Total (f)
1. Personnel						
2. Fringe Benefits						
3. Travel						
4. Equipment						
5. Supplies						
6. Contractual						
7. Construction						
8. Other						
9. Total Direct Costs (lines 1-8)						
10. Indirect Costs*						
11. Training Stipends						
12. Total Costs (lines 9-11)						
*Indirect Cost Infor	rmation (To Be Completed	d by Your Business Offi	ce):			

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If you are requesting reimbursement for indirect costs on line 10, please answer the following questions:

- (1) Do you have an Indirect Cost Rate Agreement approved by the Federal government? _____Yes _____No
- (2) If yes, please provide the following information:

Period Covered by the Indirect Cost Rate Agreement From: / _____ To: ____ / ____ (mm/dd/yyy)

Approving Federal agency: ____ ED ____ Other (please specify): ______ (3) For Restricted Rate Programs (check one)—Are you using a restricted indirect cost rate that:

____Is included in your approved Indirect Cost Rate Agreement? Or _____ Complies with 34 CFR 76.564@(2)?

Name of Institution/Organization

Applicants requesting funding for only one year should complete the column under "Project Year 1." Applicants requesting funding for multi-year grants should complete all applicable columns. Please read all instructions before completing form.

SECTION B - BUDGET SUMMARY NON-FEDERAL FUNDS

Budget Categories	Project Year 1 (a)	Project Year 2 (b)	Project Year 3 (c)	Project Year 4 (d)	Project Year 5 (e)	Total (f)
1. Personnel						
2. Fringe Benefits						
3. Travel						
4. Equipment						
5. Supplies						
6. Contractual						
7. Construction						
8. Other						
9. Total Direct Costs (Lines 1-8)						
10. Indirect Costs						
11. Training Stipends						
12. Total Costs (Lines 9-11)						

SECTION C - BUDGET NARRATIVE (see instructions)

ED 524

General Instructions

This form is used to apply to individual U.S. Department of Education (ED) discretionary grant programs. Unless directed otherwise, provide the same budget information for each year of the multiyear funding request. Pay attention to applicable program specific instructions, if attached. Please consult with your Business Office prior to submitting this form.

<u>Section A - Budget Summary U.S. Department of Education</u> Funds

All applicants must complete Section A and provide a breakdown by the applicable budget categories shown in lines 1-11.

Lines 1-11, columns (a)-(e): For each project year for which funding is requested, show the total amount requested for each applicable budget category.

Lines 1-11, column (f): Show the multi-year total for each budget category. If funding is requested for only one project year, leave this column blank.

Line 12, columns (a)-(e): Show the total budget request for each project year for which funding is requested.

Line 12, column (f): Show the total amount requested for all project years. If funding is requested for only one year, leave this space blank.

Indirect Cost Information:
If you are requesting
reimbursement for indirect
costs on line 10, this
information is to be
completed by your Business
Office. (1): Indicate whether
or not your organization has
an Indirect Cost Rate
Agreement that was approved
by the Federal government.
(2): If you checked "yes" in
(1), indicate in (2) the

beginning and ending dates covered by the Indirect Cost Rate Agreement. In addition, indicate whether ED or another Federal agency (Other) issued the approved agreement. If you check "Other," specify the name of the Federal agency that issued the approved agreement. (3): If you are applying for a grant under a Restricted Rate Program (34 CFR 75.563 or 76.563), indicate whether you are using a restricted indirect cost rate that is included on your approved Indirect Cost Rate Agreement or whether you are using a restricted indirect cost rate that complies with 34 CFR

Instructions for ED 524

76.564(c)(2). Note: State or Local government agencies may not use the provision for a restricted indirect cost rate specified in 34 CFR 76.564(c)(2). Check only one response. Leave blank, if this item is not applicable.

$\frac{\texttt{Section B - Budget Summary}}{\texttt{Non-Federal Funds}}$

If you are required to provide or volunteer to provide matching funds or other non-Federal resources to the project, these should be shown for each applicable budget category on lines 1-11 of Section B.

Lines 1-11, columns (a)-(e): For each project year, for which matching funds or other contributions are provided, show the total contribution for each applicable budget category.

Lines 1-11, column (f): Show the multi-year total for each budget category. If non-Federal contributions are provided for only one year, leave this column blank.

Line 12, columns (a)-(e): Show the total matching or other contribution for each project year. Line 12, column (f): Show the total amount to be contributed for all years of the multi-year project. If non-Federal contributions are provided for only one year, leave this space blank.

Section C - Budget Narrative [Attach separate sheet(s)] Pay attention to applicable program specific instructions, if attached.

- 1. Provide an itemized budget breakdown, and justification by project year, for each budget category listed in Sections A and B. For grant projects that will be divided into two or more separately budgeted major activities or subprojects, show for each budget category of a project year the breakdown of the specific expenses attributable to each sub-project or activity.
- If applicable to this program, provide the rate and base on which fringe benefits are calculated.
- 3. If you are requesting reimbursement for indirect costs on line 10, this information is to be completed by your Business Office. Specify the estimated amount of the base to which the indirect cost rate is applied and the total indirect expense. Depending on the grant program to which you are applying and/or your approved Indirect Cost Rate Agreement, some direct cost budget categories in your grant application budget may not be included in the base and multiplied by your indirect cost rate. For example, you must multiply the indirect cost rates of "Training grants" (34 CFR 75.562) and grants under programs with

"Supplement not Supplant" requirements ("Restricted Rate" programs) by a "modified total direct cost" (MTDC) base (34 CFR 75.563 or 76.563). Please indicate which costs are included and which costs are excluded from the base to which the indirect cost rate is applied.

When calculating indirect costs (line 10) for "Training grants" or grants under "Restricted Rate" programs, you must refer to the information and examples on ED's website at: http://www.ed.gov/fund/g rant/apply/appforms/appf orms.html. You may also contact (202) 377-3838 for additional information regarding calculating indirect cost rates or general indirect cost rate information.

 Provide other explanations or comments you deem necessary.

Paperwork Burden Statement

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless such collection displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is 1890-0004. The time required to complete this information collection is estimated to vary from 13 to 22 hours per response, with an average of 17.5 hours per response, including the time to review instructions, search existing data sources, gather the data needed, and complete and review the information collection. If you have any comments concerning the accuracy of the time estimate(s) or suggestions for improving this form, please write to: U.S. Department of Education, Washington, D.C. 20202-4651.

If you have comments or concerns regarding the status of your individual submission of this form, write directly to (insert program office), U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20202

CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING

Applicants must review the requirements for certification regarding lobbying included in the regulations cited below before completing this form. Applicants must sign this form to comply with the certification requirements under 34 CFR Part 82, "New Restrictions on Lobbying." This certification is a material representation of fact upon which the Department of Education relies when it makes a grant or enters into a cooperative agreement.

As required by Section 1352, Title 31 of the U.S. Code, and implemented at 34 CFR Part 82, for persons entering into a Federal contract, grant or cooperative agreement over \$100,000, as defined at 34 CFR Part 82, Sections 82.105 and 82.110, the applicant certifies that:

- (a) No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the making of any Federal grant, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal grant or cooperative agreement;
- (b) If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal grant or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions;
- (c) The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subgrants and contracts under grants and cooperative agreements) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

As the duly authorized representative of the applicant, I hereby certify that the applicant will comply with the above certification.

NAME OF APPLICANT	PR/AWARD NUMBER AND / OR PROJECT NAME					
PRINTED NAME AND TITLE OF AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE						
SIGNATURE	DATE					

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Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and

Voluntary Exclusion -- Lower Tier Covered Transactions

This certification is required by the Department of Education regulations implementing Executive Order 12549, Debarment and Suspension, 34 CFR Part 85, for all lower tier transactions meeting the threshold and tier requirements stated at Section 85.110.

Instructions for Certification

- 1. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective lower tier participant is providing the certification set out below.
- 2. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.
- 3. The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the person to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
- 4. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred,"
 "suspended," "ineligible," "lower tier covered
 transaction," "participant," "person," "primary
 covered transaction," "principal," "proposal," and
 "voluntarily excluded," as used in this clause, have
 the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage
 sections of rules implementing Executive Order 12549.
 You may contact the person to which this proposal is
 submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those
 regulations.
- 5. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency with which this transaction originated.

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- 6. The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include the clause titled □Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility, and Voluntary Exclusion—Lower Tier Covered Transactions,□ without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.
- 7. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may but is not required to, check the Nonprocurement List.
- 8. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.
- 9. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph 5 of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment

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- (1) The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.
- (2) Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

NAME OF APPLICANT
NUMBER AND/OR PROJECT NAME

PRINTED NAME AND TITLE OF AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

SIGNATURE
DATE

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ASSURANCES - NON-CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMS

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 15 minutes per response, including time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project (0348-0040), Washington, DC 20503

PLEASE DO NOT RETURN YOUR COMPLETED FORM TO THE OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET. SEND IT TO THE ADDRESS PROVIDED BY THE SPONSORING AGENCY.

Note: Certain of these assurances may not be applicable to your project or program. If you have questions, please contact the awarding agency. Further, certain Federal awarding agencies may require applicants to certify to additional assurances. If such is the case, you will be notified.

As the duly authorized representative of the applicant I certify that the applicant:

- 1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance, and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project cost) to ensure proper planning, management, and completion of the project described in this application.
- 2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States, and if appropriate, the State, through any authorized representative, access to and the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the award; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
- 3. Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that constitutes or presents the appearance of personal or organizational conflict of interest, or personal gain.
- 4. Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
- 5. Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. ...4728-4763) relating to prescribed standards for merit systems for programs funded under one of the 19 statutes or regulations specified in Appendix A of

- OPM's Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration (5 C.F.R. 900, Subpart F).
- 6. Will comply with all Federal statutes relating to nondiscrimination. These include but are not limited to: (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin; (b) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. ..1681-1683, and 1685-1686), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; (c) Section 504 of Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. .794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicaps; (d) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. ... 6101-6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; (e) the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-255), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse; (f) the Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-616), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism; (g) .. 523 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1912 (42 U.S.C. \dots 290 dd-3 and 290 ee 3), as amended, relating to confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records; (h) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. 3601 et seq.), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in

- the sale, rental or financing of housing;
 (i) any other nondiscrimination
 provisions in the specific statute(s)
 under which application for Federal
 assistance is being made; and (j) the
 requirements of any other
 nondiscrimination statute(s) which may
 apply to the application.
- 7. Will comply, or has already complied, with the requirements of Titles II and III of the uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-646) which provide for fair and equitable treatment of
- persons displaced or whose property is acquired as a result of Federal or Federally assisted programs. These requirements apply to all interests in real property acquired for project purposes regardless of Federal participation in purchases.
- 8. Will comply, as applicable, with the provisions of the Hatch Act (5 U.S.C. .1501-1508 and 7324-7328) which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with Federal funds.

- 9. Will comply, as applicable, with the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. ...276a to 276a-7), the Copeland Act (40 U.S.C. ...276c and 18 U.S.C. ...874) and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. ... 327-333), regarding labor standards for Federally assisted construction subagreements.
- 10. Will comply, if applicable, with flood insurance purchase requirements of Section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) which requires recipients in a special flood hazard area to participate in the program and to purchase flood insurance if the total cost of insurable construction and acquisition is \$10,000 or more.
- 11. Will comply with environmental standards which may be prescribed pursuant to the (a) institution of following: environmental quality control measures under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190) and Executive Order (EO) 11514; (b) notification of violating facilities pursuant to EO 11738; (c) protection of wetlands pursuant to EO 11990; (d) evaluation of flood hazards in floodplains in accordance with EO 11988; (e) assurance of project consistency with the approved State management program developed under the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. ..1451 et seq.); (f) conformity of Federal actions to State (Clear Air) Implementation Plans under Section 176(c) of the Clear Air Act of 1955, as amended (42 U.S.C. ..7401 et seq.); (g) protection of underground sources of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended, (P.L. 93-523); and (h) protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended, (P.L. 93-205).

- 12 Will comply with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. ...1721 et seq.) related to protecting components or potential components of the national wild and scenic rivers system.
- 13. Will assist the awarding agency in assuring compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. 470), EO 11593 (identification and protection of historic properties), and the Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. 469a-1 et seq.).
- 14. Will comply with P.L. 93-348 regarding the protection of human subjects involved in research, development, and related activities supported by this award of assistance.
- 15. Will comply with the Laboratory Animal Welfare Act of 1966 (P.L. 89-544, as amended, 7 U.S.C. .2131 et seq.) pertaining to the care, handling, and treatment of warm blooded animals held for research, teaching, or other activities supported by this award of assistance.
- 16. Will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. ..4801 et seq.) which prohibits the use of lead- based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures.
- 17. Will cause to be performed the required financial and compliance audits in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and OMB Circular No. A-133,

 Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations.
- 18. Will comply with all applicable requirements of all other Federal laws, executive orders, regulations and policies governing this program.

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL	TITLE	
APPLICANT ORGANIZATION		DATE SUBMITTED

Disclosure of Lobbying Activities

Complete this form to disclose lobbying activities pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352 (See reverse for public burden disclosure)

1. Type of Federal Action:	award award	a. lication initial c. post-	a. initial filing b. material change For material change only: Year quarter Date of last report Porting Entity in No. 4 is Subawardee, Name and Address of Prime:			
Tier, if Known: Congressional Distriction 6. Federal Department/Agency			ressional District, if known: Program Name/Description:			
8. Federal Action Number, in 10. a. Name and Address of I Registrant	E known:	CFDA Number, if applicable: 9. Award Amount, if known: \$ b. Individuals Performing Services (including address if different				
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GUIDANCE ON SECTION 427 OF THE GENERAL EDUCATION PROVISION ACT

OMB Control No. 1890-0007 (Exp. 11/30/2007)

NOTICE TO ALL APPLICANTS

The purpose of this enclosure is to inform you about a new provision in the Department of Education's General Education Provisions Act (GEPA) that applies to applicants for new grant awards under Department programs. This provision is Section 427 of GEPA, enacted as part of the Improving America's Schools Act of 1994 (Public Law (P.L.) 103-382).

To Whom Does This Provision Apply?

Section 427 of GEPA affects applicants for new grant awards under this program. ALL APPLICANTS FOR NEW AWARDS MUST INCLUDE INFORMATION IN THEIR APPLICATIONS TO ADDRESS THIS NEW PROVISION IN ORDER TO RECEIVE FUNDING UNDER THIS PROGRAM.

(If this program is a Stateformula grant program, a State provide to this description only for projects or activities that it carries out with funds reserved for Statelevel uses. In addition, local school districts or other eligible applicants that apply to the State for funding need to provide this description in their applications to the State for funding. The State would be responsible for ensuring that the school district or other local entity has submitted a sufficient section 427 statement as described below.)

What Does This Provision Require?

Section 427 requires applicant for funds (other than an individual person) to include in its application a description the steps the applicant proposes to take to ensure to, equitable access participation in, its Federallyassisted program for students, teachers, and other program beneficiaries with special needs. This provision allows applicants discretion developing the required description. The statute highlights six types of barriers that can impede equitable access or participation: gender, race, national origin, color, disability, or age. Based on local circumstances, you should determine whether these or other barriers may prevent students, teachers, etc. from such access or participation in, the Federally-funded project or activity. The description in your application of steps to be taken to overcome these barriers need not be lengthy; you may provide a clear and succinct description of how you plan to address those barriers that are applicable to vour circumstances. In addition, the information may be provided in a single narrative, or, if appropriate, may be discussed in connection with related topics in the application.

Section 427 is not intended to duplicate the requirements of civil rights statutes, but rather to ensure that, in designing their projects, applicants for Federal funds address equity concerns that may affect the ability of certain potential beneficiaries to fully participate in the project and to achieve to high standards. Consistent with program requirements and its approved application, an applicant may use the Federal funds awarded to it to eliminate barriers it identifies.

What are Examples of How an Applicant Might Satisfy the Requirement of This Provision?

The following examples may help illustrate how an applicant may comply with Section 427.

- applicant that An proposes to carry out an adult literacy project serving, among others, adults limited English proficiency, might describe in its application how it to distribute a intends brochure about the proposed project to such potential participants in their native language.
- (2) An applicant that proposes to develop instructional materials for classroom use might describe how it will make the materials available on audiotape or in braille for students who are blind.
- (3) An applicant that proposes to carry out a model

science program for secondary students and is concerned that girls may be less likely than boys to enroll in the course might indicate how it intends to conduct "outreach" efforts to girls, to encourage their enrollment.

We recognize that many applicants may already be implementing effective steps to ensure equity of access and participation in their grant programs, and we appreciate your cooperation in responding to the requirements of this provision.

Estimated Burden Statement for GEPA Requirements

According Paperwork to the Reduction Act 1995, of persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless such collection displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is 1890-0007. The time required to complete this information collection is estimated average 1.5 hours per response, including the time to review instructions, search existing data resources, gather the data needed, and complete and review the information collection. you have any comments concerning accuracy of the estimate(s) or suggestions for improving this form, please write to: Director, Grants Policy and Oversight Staff, U.S. Department of Education, Maryland Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20202-4250.

SECTION E

CHECKLIST AND TRANSMITTAL INSTRUCTIONS

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Does your application include each of the following?

- □ Standard Form 424 (application cover page):
 - Complete the form according to the instructions in this package.
 - ➤ If applicable, complete the human subjects section (item #12).
- ☐ Table of Contents
- ☐ Project Abstract
- ☐ Program Narrative
- □ Budget Form (ED) Form 524 and a detailed budget narrative
- ☐ Assurances and Certifications
 - >Certifications Regarding Lobbying; Debarment; Suspension, and other Responsibility Matters; and Drug-Free Workplace Requirements (ED 80-0013)
 - ➤ Certification Regarding Debarment; Suspension; Ineligibility; and Voluntary Exclusion--Lower Tier Covered Transactions (ED 80-0014)
 - ► Assurances—Non-Construction Programs (SF 424B Form)
 - Disclosure of Lobbying Activity (SF LLL Form) (If Applicable)
- □ Statement in Response to Section 427 of the General Education Provisions Act (GEPA)

If you are submitting paper copies of your application, did you:

- □ Consecutively number all pages in your application package?
- ☐ Include all required forms with original signatures and dates?
- ☐ Include one original plus two copies? Two additional copies (for a total of 5 applications) are requested but not required. Each application should be clipped or stapled, not bound or enclosed in a folder.

If you are using e-Application, please follow the instructions communicated on pages E-2 thru E-7.

□ Requirements of Executive Order 12372 (Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs): Applicants should follow State procedures for submitting applications. See pages G-2 through G-5.

APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL INSTRUCTIONS

The deadline for transmittal of applications is April 22, 2005. All applications must be postmarked, hand delivered or electronically submitted by April 22, 2005. The closing date and procedures for guaranteeing timely submission will be strictly observed.

Some of the procedures in these instructions for transmitting applications differ from those in the Education Department General Administrative Regulations (EDGAR) (34 CFR 75.102). Under the Administrative Procedure Act (5 U.S.C. 553) the Department generally offers interested parties the opportunity to comment on proposed regulations. However, these amendments make procedural changes only and do not establish new substantive policy. Therefore, under 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(A), the Secretary has determined that proposed rulemaking is not required.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR TRANSMITTING APPLICATIONS

ATTENTION ELECTRONIC APPLICANTS: Please note that you must follow the Application Procedures as described in the Federal Register notice announcing the grant competition. Some programs may require electronic submission of applications, and those programs will have specific requirements and waiver instructions in the Federal Register notice.

If you want to apply for a grant and be considered for funding, you must meet the following deadline requirements:

Applications Submitted Electronically

Applications that are submitted electronically must be submitted through the Internet using the software provided on the e-Grants Web site (http://e-grants.ed.gov) by 4:30 p.m. (Washington, DC time) on the application deadline date. The regular hours of operation of the e-Grants website are 6:00 a.m. Monday until 7:00 p.m. Wednesday; and 6:00 a.m. Thursday until midnight Saturday (Washington, DC time). Please note that the system is unavailable on Sundays, and after 7:00 p.m. on Wednesdays for maintenance (Washington, DC time). Any modifications to these hours are posted on the e-Grants Web site.

If you submit your application through the Internet via the e-Grants Web site, you will receive an automatic acknowledgment when we receive your application.

Applications Sent by Mail

You must mail the original and two copies of the application on or before the deadline date to. To help expedite our review of your application, we would appreciate your voluntarily including an additional three (3) copies of your application.

Please mail copies to:

U.S. Department of Education Application Control Center Attention: CFDA# 84.206A 400 Maryland Avenue, SW Washington, DC 20202-4260

You must show one of the following as proof of mailing:

- (1) A legibly dated U. S. Postal Service Postmark.
- (2) A legible mail receipt with the date of mailing stamped by the U. S. Postal Service.
- (3) A dated shipping label, invoice, or receipt from a commercial carrier.
- (4) Any other proof of mailing acceptable to the Secretary.

If you mail an application through the U.S. Postal Service, we do not accept either of the following as proof of mailing:

- (1) A private metered postmark.
- (2) A mail receipt that is not dated by the U.S. Postal Services.

An applicant should note that the U.S. Postal Service does not uniformly provide a dated postmark. Before relying on this method, an applicant should check with its local post office.

Applications Delivered by Commercial Carrier:

Special Note: Due to recent disruptions to normal mail delivery, the Department encourages you to consider using an alternative delivery method (for example, a commercial carrier, such as Federal Express or United Parcel Service; or U. S. Postal Service Express Mail) to transmit your application for this competition to the Department. If you use an alternative delivery method, please obtain the appropriate proof of mailing under "Applications Sent by Mail," then follow the mailing instructions under the appropriate delivery method.

Applications that are delivered by commercial carrier, such as Federal Express, United Parcel Service, etc. should be mailed to the:

U.S. Department of Education Application Control Center - Stop 4260 Attention: CFDA# 84.206A 7100 Old Landover, MD 20785-1506

Applications Delivered by Hand

You or your courier must hand deliver the original and number of copies requested of the application by 4:30 p.m. (Washington, DC time) on or before the deadline date. To help expedite our review of your application, we would appreciate your voluntarily including an additional (3), copies of your application.

Please hand deliver copies to:

U.S. Department of Education Application Control Center Attention: CFDA# 84.206A 550 12th Street, SW., Room 7041 Potomac Center Plaza Washington, DC 20202 - 4260

The Application Control Center accepts application deliveries daily between 8:00~a.m. and 4:30~p.m. (Washington, DC time), except Saturdays, Sundays and Federal holidays.

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Electronic Submission of Applications

If you are an applicant under the Jacob K. Javits Gifted and Talented Students Education program, you may submit your application to us in either electronic or paper format. We encourage electronic submission.

This involves the use of the Electronic Grant Application System (e-Application) portion of the Grant Administration and Payment System (GAPS). Users of e-Application will be entering data on-line while completing their applications. You may not e-mail a soft copy of a grant application to us. If you participate in this voluntary pilot project by submitting an application electronically, the data you enter on-line will be saved into a database. We request your participation in e-Application. We shall continue to evaluate its success and solicit suggestions for improvement.

If you participate in e-Application, please note the following:

- Your participation is voluntary.
- You will not receive any additional point value because you submit a grant application in electronic format, nor will we penalize you if you submit an application in paper format. When you enter the e-Application system, you will find information about its hours of operation.
- You may submit all documents electronically, including the Application for Federal Assistance (ED 424), Budget Information—Non-Construction Programs (ED 524), and all necessary assurances and certifications.
- After you electronically submit your application, you will receive an automatic acknowledgement, which will include a PR/Award number (an identifying number unique to your application).
- Within three working days after submitting your electronic application, fax a signed copy of the Application for Federal Assistance (ED 424) to the Application Control Center after following these steps:
 - (1) Print ED 424 from the e-Application system.
 - (2) The institution's Authorizing Representative must sign this form.
 - (3) Place the PR/Award number in the upper right hand corner of the hard copy signature page of the ED 424.
 - (4) Fax the signed ED 424 to the Application Control Center at (202) 245-6272.
- We may request that you give us original signatures on all other forms at a later date.
- Closing Date Extension in Case of System Unavailability: If you elect to participate in the e-Application pilot for the Jacob K. Javits Gifted and Talented Students Education program and you are prevented from submitting your application on the closing date because the e-Application system is unavailable, we will grant you an extension of one business day in order to transmit your application electronically, by mail, or by hand delivery. For us to grant this extension--

- (1) You must be a registered user of e-Application, and have initiated an e-Application for this competition; and
- (2) (a) The e-Application system must be unavailable for 60 minutes or more between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., Washington, DC time, on the deadline date; or
- (b) The e-Application system must be unavailable for any period of time during the last hour of operation (that is, for any period of time between 3:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Washington, DC time) on the deadline date.

The Department must acknowledge and confirm these periods of unavailability before granting you an extension. To request this extension you must contact either (1) the person listed elsewhere in this notice under FOR INFORMATION CONTACT or (2) the e-GRANTS help desk at 1-888-336-8930.

You may access the electronic grant application for the Jacob K. Javits Gifted and Talented Students Education program at:

http://e-grants.ed.gov/

Notes:

- (1) If you send your application by mail or if you or your courier delivers it by hand, the Application Control Center will mail a Grant Application Receipt Acknowledgment to you. If you do not receive the notification of application receipt within 15 days from the date of mailing the application, you should call the U.S. Department of Education Application Control Center at (202) 708-9493.
- (2) If your application is late, we will notify you that we will not consider the application.
- (3) You must indicate on the envelope and—if not provided by the Department—in Item 4 of the Application for Federal Education Assistance (ED 424 (exp. 11/30/2007) the CFDA number—and suffix letter, if any—of the competition under which you are submitting your application.
- (4) If you submit your application through the Internet via the e-Grants Web site, you will receive an automatic acknowledgment when we receive your application.

SECTION F

ESTIMATED PUBLIC REPORTING BURDEN

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Paperwork Burden Statement

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless such collection displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is 1890-0009. The time required to complete this information collection is estimated to average 40 hours per response, including the time to review instructions, search existing data resources, gather the data needed, and complete and review the information collection. If you have any comments concerning the accuracy of the time estimate(s) or suggestions for improving this form, please write to: U.S. Department of Education, Washington, D.C. 20202-4651. If you have comments or concerns regarding the status of your individual submission of this form, write directly to:

The Jacob K. Javits Gifted and Talented Students Education Program U.S. Department of Education 400 Maryland Avenue, S.W., Room 5W252 Washington D.C. 20202-6200

SECTION G

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION AND NOTICES

Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs

This appendix applies to each program that is subject to the requirements of Executive Order 12372 (Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs) and the regulations in 34 CFR part 79.

The objective of the Executive order is to foster an intergovernmental partnership and to strengthen federalism by relying on State and local processes for State and local government coordination and review of proposed Federal financial assistance.

Applicants must contact the appropriate State Single Point of Contact to find out about, and to comply with, the State's process under Executive Order 12372. Applicants proposing to perform activities in more than one State should immediately contact the Single Point of Contact for each of those States and follow the procedure established in each of those States under the Executive order. A listing containing the Single Point of Contact for each State is included in this appendix.

In States that have not established a process or chosen a program for review, State, area wide, regional, and local entities may submit comments directly to the Department.

Any State Process Recommendation and other comments submitted by a State Single Point of Contact and any comments from State, area wide, regional, and local entities must be mailed or hand-delivered by the date indicated in the actual application notice to the following address: The Secretary, EO 12372—CFDA # 84.206A. U.S. Department of Education, room 7W301, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20202.

Proof of mailing will be determined on the same basis as applications (see 34 CFR 75.102). Recommendations or comments may be hand-delivered until 4:30 p.m. (Washington, DC time) on the date indicated in the actual application notice.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE ABOVE ADDRESS IS NOT THE SAME ADDRESS AS THE ONE TO WHICH THE APPLICANT SUBMITS ITS COMPLETED APPLICATION. $\underline{\text{DO}}$ NOT SEND APPLICATIONS TO THE ABOVE ADDRESS.

STATE SINGLE POINTS OF CONTACT (SPOCS)

Executive Order 12372, "Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs," was issued with the desire to foster the intergovernmental partnership and strengthen Federalism by relying on State and local processes for the coordination and review of proposed Federal financial assistance and direct Federal development. The Order allows each State to designate an entity to perform this function. Below is a copy of the official list of those entities. For those States that have a home page for their designated entity, a direct link has been provided from the official version of this document from the OMB web page at the following address: http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/grants/spoc.html

This publication by the U.S. Department of Education (ED or the Department) is an unofficial version of the State Single Point of Contact (SPOC) List published by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). The Department has made every effort to ensure the accuracy of the information contained in this unofficial version. However, the only official version of the State Single Point of Contact (SPOC) List is posted on the Grants Management section of the OMB web site listed above.

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IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PROSPECTIVE PARTICIPANTS IN U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION GRANT AND CONTRACT PROGRAMS

GRANTS

Applicants for grants from the U.S. Department of Education (ED) have to compete for limited funds. Deadlines assure all applicants that they will be treated fairly and equally, without last minute haste. For these reasons, ED must set strict deadlines for grant applications. Prospective applicants can avoid disappointment if they understand that:

Failure to meet a deadline will mean that an applicant will be rejected without any consideration.

The rules, including the deadline, for applying for each grant are published, individually, in the Federal Register. Six-month or one-year subscriptions to the daily, official Federal Register may be ordered from the U. S. Government Printing Office at the following url: http://bookstore.gpo.gov/regulatory/fed-reg.html. The Federal Register Complete Service is also available in microfiche on the same web page. In addition, the Federal Register is available on-line for free on Government Printing Office (GPO) Access: http://www.gpoaccess.gov/nara/index.html. Depository Library location and Federal Register services: http://www.archives.gov/federal register/index.html.

The instructions in the Federal Register must be followed exactly. Do not accept any other advice you may receive. No ED employee is authorized to extend any deadline published in the Register. No ED employee is authorized to extend any deadline published in the Federal Register. Questions regarding submission of applications may be addressed to:

U.S. Department of Education Application Control Center Washington, D.C. 20202-4725

CONTRACTS

Competitive procurement actions undertaken by the ED are governed by the Federal Acquisition Regulations and implementing Department of Education Acquisition Regulations.

Generally, prospective competitive procurement actions are synopsized in the Commerce Business Daily (CBD). Prospective offerors are therein advised of the nature of the procurement and where to apply for copies of the Request for Proposals (RFP). All of ED's RFP's are now available on-line for downloading at the following url:

http://www.ed.gov/fund/contract/apply/currrfp.html

Offerors are advised to be guided solely by the contents of the CBD synopsis and the instructions contained in the RFP. Questions regarding the submission of offers should be addressed to the Contracts Specialist identified on the face page of the RFP. Offers are judged in competition with others, and failure to conform with any substantive requirements of the RFP will result in rejection of the offer without any consideration whatever.

Do not accept any advice you receive that is contrary to instructions contained in either the CBD synopsis or the RFP. No ED employee is authorized to consider a proposal, which is non-responsive to the RFP. Sixmonth or one-year subscriptions to the CBD may be ordered from the U.S. Government Printing Office at the following url:

http://bookstore.gpo.gov/regulatory/cbd.html. Information included in the

Federal Acquisition Regulation is contained in Title 48, Code of Federal Regulations, Chapter 1. The foregoing publication may be obtained by sending your check or money order only, no cash or stamps, to:

Superintendent of Documents
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In addition, the Commerce Business Daily is available on-line for free at the following url: http://cbdnet.access.gpo.gov/. The Federal Acquisition Regulations are available on-line at the following url: http://www.arnet.gov/far/.

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GRANT AND CONTRACT FUNDING INFORMATION

The Department of Education provides information about grant and contract opportunities electronically in several ways:

The Department's Internet Home Page -- http://www.ed.gov/

The Office of the Chief Financial Officer Home Page -- http://www.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocfo/index.html